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TAGS: PFOR, TU US  
SUBJECT:U.S.TURKEY DEFENSE COOPERATION AGREEMENT PRESS PLAY

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1. MOST TURKISH MORNING PAPERS JANUARY 21 GAVE FRONT PAGE  
TREATMENT TO A STORY REPORTING DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE FORD  
AND CARTER ADMINISTRATIONS CONCERNING SUBMISSION OF TURKISH  
DCA TO CONGRESS. ACCORDING TO THIS REPORT "AN AIDE OF  
...SECRETARY VANCE" HAD SAID THAT PRESIDENT FORD HAD SENT  
THE TURKISH DCA TO CONGRESS WITHOUT CONSULTING THE CARTER  
ADMINISTRATION AND HAD REQUESTED THAT CONGRESS NOT ACT UPON  
IT UNTIL THE NEW ADMINISTRATION COMPLETES ITS POLICY  
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REVIEW. THE STORY WAS ALSO THE SUBJECT OF LIMITED EDITORIAL  
COMMENT.

2. THE TURKISH PRESS REPORTS APPEARED TO BE BASED PRIMARILY  
ON WASHINGTON DATELINED AP STORIES AND TENDED TO FOLLOW THE  
TEXT OF STATEMENT REPORTED REFTEL. SOME CONTAINED SPECULATION  
THAT PRESIDENT CARTER'S FEBRUARY 3 REPORT TO CONGRESS ON

CYPRUS WOULD CONTAIN RELEVANT NEW PROPOSALS AND/OR THAT  
PRESIDENT CARTER WILL APPOINT A SPECIAL EMISSARY TO LOOK  
INTO CYPRUS, GREECE, TURKEY QUESTIONS.

3. CONSERVATIVE TERCUMAN EDITORIALIZES THAT IF THE CARTER  
ADMINISTRATION'S POLICY REFLECTS THE DOMESTIC POLICTIAL  
MANIPULATIONS WHICH RESULTED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL ARMS  
EMBARGO, TURKEY SHOULD NOT BE CRITICIZED WHEN IT INEVITABLY  
REDUCES ITS COMMITMENTS TO NATO AND CLOSES DOWN US BASES.  
THE EDITORIAL ENDS UPON THE HOPEFUL NOTE THAT PRESIDENT  
CARTER, AS A POPULAR LEADER WITH SOUND CONVICTIONS, WILL SEE  
THE REALITIES OF THE SITUATION. SENSATIONLIST GUNAYDIN SPECULATES  
THAT CARTER MAY INSIST ON NEGOTIATING HIS OWN AGREEMENT WITH  
TURKEY RATHER THAN SEEK RATIFICATION OF THAT NEGOTIATED BY  
THE FORD ADMINISTRATION.  
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